

2/8/69

Dear Gary,

On your letter of 2/8:

If is Vosjoly. Looking forward. As you perhaps realize, Burton has been silent on this. If anything turns up, let me know as soon as possible. He is Andre Devereaux in the book.

If your boys come up with anything on Malcolm, if I haven't already I'll put you in touch with a Chicago friend, Russ.

You may be right on Barry. But I think, in the absence of specific assignments in the numbered files, his browsing through the others would at least yield a suggestion of their contents. If he did come up with anything, it would certainly be a guide to one of us in the future. Get your girl friend to become a good typist by summer and bring her along so she can type the list of what I have and we can avoid that kind of expensive duplication. When she isn't typing there will be other things she can do. Like filing.

In my mind there never has been any but a single doubt about Turner: agency. That I do not know, on the basis of what I do think it isn't necessary and makes little difference.

Rothermel did mean Penn. The other, ex and possibly present is Boxley. I've also heard from him, that is, R.

I think that is the same Savitt and I am aware of Helms-Marion.

I renew my encouragement that you concentrate on your studies, as I continue in the belief that aside from ~~their~~ importance to you, you can do most good by retiring, if necessary, until summer and spending it in Archives. Among the things I think you can forgo is writing poor Penn. I feel sorry for him. He will have to learn his own way.

Newman memo-Charlie Brown: I was at some kooky coffee shop with Steve and her the night I got in LA in October. Steve had a very dramatic tale of having to save a girl from suicide. It is quite likely he did say she had been French intelligence, but I have no separate recollection. I was tired, p'd off that he had done none of the promised things, then had no pad though it was about bedtime for normal people. The coffee wasn't much good, either. So far Fred still adds up to nothing new or meaningful. If he did we'd still have to worry about dependability.

Re: Washington, as of yesterday it is still on. Let us say nothing and see what eventuates. My radiologist friend was here until midnight. It seems my suspicions do check out and that the scapula is perhaps the most moveable, floating bone in the body, a two-inch fluctuation between erect and prone not unusual. He will plot the different accounts of the alleged entrance head wounds for me on a real skull X-rays.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg